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Applicant: Jun Xie *et. al.*

Title: INTEGRATED CAPACITIVE
MICROFLUIDIC SENSORS
METHOD AND APPARATUS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT AND PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Restriction
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication responds to the election of species requirement mailed January 27, 2005.

Particularly in view of the prior restriction, the applicants traverse the second restriction wherein no new claims are at issue and elect the interdigitated sensor depicted in Figure 10(a) and 10(b). The applicants identify claims 40-62 and 72-73 including claim 53.

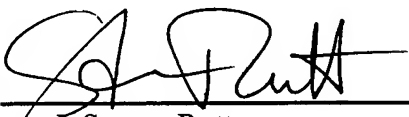
If the Examiner has any questions about this election, or needs additional specificity, he can contact the undersigned.

The applicants petition for a one month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or any other provision, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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